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RE: European Union REACH Program Substances of Very High Concern (SVHCs)

To Whom It May Concern:

The new European Union REACH (Registration, Evaluation, and Authorization of Chemicals) Regulation has notification requirements for Substances of Very High Concern (SVHCs). The notification requirements apply to any supplier that exports an article, preparation, or chemical substance into the European Union that contains one of the SVHCs.

Companies are required to notify their customers if their products contain any of the SVHCs on the candidate list below at any concentration. If an SVHC is contained in the article, preparation, or chemical substance or the packaging at a concentration above 0.1% weight then the company is also required to notify the European Union Chemicals Agency, ECHA.

Daubert Cromwell is pleased to report that none of the substances listed as SVHC's are present in any of Daubert Cromwell products.

Sincerely,

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What are SVHC's?

Substances of very high concern are defined in Article 57 of Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 ("the REACH Regulation") and include substances which are:

- Carcinogenic, Mutagenic or toxic to Reproduction (CMR), meeting the criteria for classification in category 1 or 2 in accordance with Directive 67/548/EEC,
- Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic (PBT) or very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative (vPvB) according to the criteria in Annex XIII of the REACH Regulation, and/or
- Identified, on a case-by-case basis, from scientific evidence as causing probable serious effects to human health or the environment of an equivalent level of concern as those above (e.g. endocrine disrupters).

In the framework of the authorisation process, Member States Competent Authorities or the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA), on a request by the Commission, may prepare Annex XV dossiers for the identification of substances of very high concern (SVHC). The most current candidate list can be checked at http://echa.europa.eu/chem_data/authorisation_process/candidate_list_table_en.asp